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## PARKVILLE MAN INDICTED FOR CHILD PORN

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Parkville, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today on charges related to child pornography.

**Adam S. Battiest**, 26, of Parkville, was charged in a four-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City. Today's indictment replaces a federal criminal complaint that was filed against Battiest on Sept. 2, 2005.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Battiest** attempted to distribute child pornography over the Internet from Aug. 24 to 27, 2005.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Battiest** received child pornography over the Internet from Aug. 1, 2003, to Sept. 1, 2005.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Battiest** was in possession of child pornography on Sept. 1, 2005.

Count Four of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count, which would require **Battiest** to forfeit to the government any property used to commit the alleged violations, including a Dell computer, a Nokia cell phone, 12 CDs and 11 floppy disks.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Katharine Fincham. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the National Center for Missing

and Exploited Children.

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